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Please add the following new claim:

Claim 4 An espresso machine according to claim 2,

characterized in that

the espresso machine has a lower part secured fixedly to the housing and an upper part designed as carousel that rotates on a circular track of 360°, relative to the lower part, that the infusion piston as component of the upper part in an angular position of the upper part can be lowered with a lever into and removed from the infusion chamber and that an up and down movement of a lifting piston with perforated bottom is purposely controlled by the rotational movement of the upper part by raising the lifting piston in the lower part of the infusion chamber until it reaches the upper edge of the infusion chamber where a cake formed with coffee grounds is removed to the side with the aid of a removal element.

**REMARKS** 

This Preliminary Amendment is made to eliminate multiple claim dependency.

Examination on the merits of the application is requested. A marked up version showing the changes made to the claims is attached.

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## **VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE**

Claim 3 (amended) An espresso machine according to claim 1[or 2], characterized in that

the espresso machine has a lower part secured fixedly to the housing and an upper part designed as carousel that rotates on a circular track of 360°, relative to the lower part, that the infusion piston as component of the upper part in an angular position of the upper part can be lowered with a lever into and removed from the infusion chamber and that an up and down movement of a lifting piston with perforated bottom is purposely controlled by the rotational movement of the upper part by raising the lifting piston in the lower part of the infusion chamber until it reaches the upper edge of the infusion chamber where a cake formed with coffee grounds is removed to the side with the aid of a removal element.